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(X) Response/Amendment ( ) Petition to extend time to respond  
( ) New fee as calculated below ( ) Supplemental Declaration  
( ) No additional fee (Address envelope to "Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment")  
(X) Other: Response to Restriction Requirement (fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

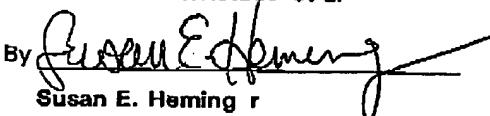
CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$86	\$ 0
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$290	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$420.00	3RD MONTH \$950.00	4TH MONTH \$1480.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$ 0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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Respectfully submitted,

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**Response to Restriction Requirement**

Sir:

This is in response to the restriction requirement mailed October 24, 2003 wherein the claims were grouped into the following categories:

- I. Claims 1-19, drawn to an ion-exchange membrane structure, classified in class 521, subclass 27.
- II. Claims 20-29, drawn to a fuel cell assembly comprising an ion exchange membrane, classified in class 429, subclass 30.
- III. Claims 30-46, drawn to method of producing an ion exchange membrane structure, classified in class 525, subclass 326.2.

In response to the restriction requirement Applicant elects Claims 1-10 (Group I, species I-1) without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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